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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mandy Cohen, MD, MPH

Secretary

FROM:

Dave Kichara

Deputy Secretary for Medical Assistance

SUBJECT:

State Plan Amendment

Title XIX, Social Security Act

Transmittal #2017-0009

DATE:

September 8, 2017

Please find attached an amendment for North Carolina's State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act for the Medical Assistance Program. The affected page is Attachment 4.19-B, Section 23, Page 6.

This state plan amendment increases the rate for Personal Care Services to three dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$3.88) effective August 1, 2017. Beginning January 1, 2018, the rate shall increase to (\$3.90) the rate paid per 15-minute billing unit for personal care services provided pursuant to Clinical Coverage Policy 3L.

This amendment is effective August 1, 2017.

Your approval of this state plan amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Teresa Smith or me at 919-855-4116.

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PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

23. Any other Medical Care and any other type of remedial care recognized under State law, specified by the Secretary.

PERSONAL CARE SERVICES

Personal Care Services are reimbursed under the authority of 42 CFR 440.167 and when provided as defined in Attachment 3.1-A.1, Page 19, of this State Plan.

Payment for Personal Care Services (PCS) shall be reimbursed to providers, who are allowed to bill PCS in fifteen (15) minute increments of care. The agency's fee schedule rate of \$3.88 per 15 minutes was set as of August 1, 2017. Effective January 1, 2018 the fee schedule rate is \$3.90 per 15 minutes. This rate is effective for services provided on or after that date.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, the state-developed fee schedule rate is the same for both governmental and non-governmental providers of Personal Care Services. This rate is published on the NC Division of Medical Assistance Website.

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